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### **ALIEN SMUGGLER SENTENCED**

PHOENIX –The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona, announced that on February 14, 2005, Tomas Rubi-Diaz was the last of four defendants sentenced to eighty-four months in prison for their role in holding aliens in a house in Phoenix, Arizona. Tomas Rubi-Diaz, Jose C. Aispuro-Aispuro, Jose Pastor Zavala-Aispuro and Horacio Beltran-Moreno, all illegal aliens, were each sentenced to eighty-four months in prison, by United States District Judge Stephen M. McNamee, in Phoenix. All four defendants entered a pleas of guilty to brandishing a weapon during a federal offense.

On February 24, 2004, agents of the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agents investigated a report of illegal aliens being held against their will at a house in Phoenix, Arizona. Agents located forty people being held at 8405 West Pierce in Phoenix, Arizona. The witnesses described that they had been held at gunpoint while their family and friends were told to send money for their safe release.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Bureau of Immigration and customs Enforcement.

The prosecution was handled by Camille Bibles, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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